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Special Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY,

In the Circuit Court of Macon County In chancery To September Term, A. D. 188

... Burgess vs. Charles A. Tuttle et al. Foreclosure No. 1258

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree entered at the September Term, A. D. 1886, by the said court, in the above entitled cause, I, J. J. Caton, Special Master in Chancery of said county, will at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon on

Monday the 28th Day of February, A. D. 1887

at the west entrance door to the court house in Decatur, in said Macon county, sell at public vendue, to the highest and best bidder the following described real estate, lying and being in the county of Macon, state of Illinois, to wit: The north part of lots ten (10), eleven (11) and twelve (12) in block five (5) in Western Addition to the town now city of Decatur, as follows: commencing at a point on the east line of said lot twelve (12), seventy six (76) feet from the south east corner of said lot twelve (12), running thence west one hundred and sixty (160) feet, thence north to the alley, thence east one hundred and sixty (160) feet, thence south to the place of beginning.

Terms of Sale: Cash, subject to redemption. Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 4th day of February, A. D. 1887.

J. J. CATON,
Special Master in Chancery of Macon County, Illinois.

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Office over the Postoffice, Decatur, Illinois

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ATTORNEY AT LAW

And Master in Chancery for Macon county, Ill.

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FOR SALE. Four lots, sixty feet front each, on Prairie street, near business. Come quick. Prairie Avenue, the resident avenue of the city. feb10-dtf J. M. CLOKEY.

WANTED. Everybody to know that Bachman Bros. will buy or trade for your old style furniture in exchange for new. Call and see them. m17dtf

WOOD. Stove Wood—Cord Wood—More Wood, Better Wood, and will sell cheaper than anyone in the city. The wood is right here in the city where you can inspect it. Do not buy until you see me. All kinds of stock feed at rock bottom prices. I am down town agent for Decatur coal. Always deliver promptly. Telephone 76. V. H. PARKE. June 12dtf

HAVE your feathers and mattresses renovated at the Mattress Factory, 553 North Broadway. J. S. COX & Co. Telephone Stevens Bros. mar17dtf

COWS. I have a fine lot of new milch cows for sale, both Jersey and Short Horn, also a good span of mules. JOHN A. BROWN. jan14d&wtf

MONEY to loan in large and small amounts. Loans made on live stock, farm implements, or household goods. All classes of loans negotiated on short notice. Loans on farms and city business property at 6 per cent interest. Apply to A. J. SUMMERS, over New York Store. July 1d&wtf

Go to Spencer, Lehman & Co. for Wood Pumps, Chain Pumps and Iron Force Pumps. feb8-d&wtf

METALIC Weather Strips for windows and doors, the best and cheapest in the market, at LINN & SCRUGGS. d&w

A. T. GRIST's bath rooms, south of the REPUBLICAN office, are now ready for use. The rooms are the largest and best in the city. aug13-dtf

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AYER'S Sugar-Coated Cathartic PILLS.

If the Liver becomes torpid, if the bowels are constipated, or if the stomach fails to perform its functions properly, use Ayer's Pills. They are invaluable.

For some years I was a victim to Liver Complaint, in consequence of which I suffered from General Debility and Indigestion. A few boxes of Ayer's Pills restored me to perfect health.—W. T. Brightney, Henderson, W. Va.

For years I have relied more upon Ayer's Pills than anything else, to

Regulate

my bowels. These Pills are mild in action, and do their work thoroughly. I have used them with good effect, in cases of Rheumatism, Kidney Trouble, and Dyspepsia.—G. F. Miller, Attleborough, Mass.

Ayer's Pills cured me of Stomach and Liver troubles, from which I had suffered for years. I consider them the best pills made, and would not be without them.—Morris Gates, Downsville, N. Y.

I was attacked with Bilious Fever, which was followed by Jaundice, and was so dangerously ill that my friends despaired of my recovery. I commenced taking Ayer's Pills, and soon regained my customary strength and vigor.—John C. Pattison, Lowell, Nebraska.

Last spring I suffered greatly from a troublesome humor on my side. In spite of every effort to cure this eruption, it increased until the flesh became entirely raw. I was troubled, at the same time, with Indigestion, and distressing pains in

The Bowels.

By the advice of a friend I began taking Ayer's Pills. In a short time I was free from pain, my food digested properly, the sores on my body commenced healing, and, in less than one month, I was cured.—Samuel D. White, Atlanta, Ga.

I have long used Ayer's Pills, in my family, and believe them to be the best pills made.—S. C. Darden, Darden, Miss.

My wife and little girl were taken with Dysentery a few days ago, and I at once began giving them small doses of Ayer's Pills, thinking I would call a doctor if the disease became any worse. In a short time the bloody discharges stopped, all pain went away, and health was restored.—Theodore Esling, Richmond, Va.

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YOU can live at home, and make more money at work for us, than at anything else in this world. Capital not needed; you are started free. Both sexes, all ages. Any one can do the work. Large earnings sure from first start. Costly outfit and terms free. Better not delay. Costs you nothing to send us your address and find out; if you are wise you will do so at once. H. HALLETT & CO., Portland, Maine. feb1-d6mos-w1yr

American and European Railways.

Some apprehension has been felt at the interference of our government in the affairs of private railway corporations. But it should be remembered that outside of Great Britain the governments of Europe are in great part owners of the railways. This is true of France, Belgium, Holland, Prussia, Russia, Austria and Italy. Of course there are some private companies in all those countries, but the governments are generally the owners of the principal railway lines, and supervise the private corporations. And, on the whole, this government ownership has worked very well. Freights are lower on the continent than in Great Britain or the United States, accidents rarely occur, and then the profits of the various systems accrue to the national treasuries instead of to private individuals. Beginning with Jay Gould and the Vanderbilts, there are probably some two hundred persons in the United States who have built up enormous fortunes out of our railway systems. There is no corresponding class of railroad magnates on continental Europe, though there are quite a number in England, where, as in the United States, the roads are owned by private corporations. Of course, in many respects, our railways are in advance of those of Europe. The latter has nothing comparable to our sleeping car accommodations, and then were our government to have built our roads, there would have been no such rapid construction as we have witnessed under the spur of private enterprise. We have now 130,000 miles of road in the United States—nearly as much as all Europe combined. In a very few years we will have more miles of road than all the rest of the world together. It is estimated that during the year 1887 we shall build nearly 12,000 miles of new railroads, which would make this the greatest year of the kind in our history. C. G.

Silver plated bon bon trays, with tongs, have been introduced at the fashionable luncheon parties in New York with undoubted success.

200 SMYRNA RUGS, at $2.50, worth four dollars. 150 also at $3.50, worth five dollars. Just received, by LINN & SCRUGGS. d&w

SPENCER, LEHMAN & Co. sell the old reliable Peter Shuttler and Moline wagon. feb8-d&wtf

PERSIAN SHAWLS, handsome and cheap just received, at Linn & Scruggs. daw

ECONOMY OF WOMEN.

The Amount Required to Keep a Society Light in Running Order.

In a recent letter upon the aristocracy of England a writer said that the English women would be surprised to know that the Americans, whose taste in dress is so greatly admired over there, pay as high as £20 to £25 for a bonnet. That statement aroused the curiosity of many feminine readers. Who pays $100 to $125 for a bonnet? They did not know any one who did, and yet it might be true. But it seems it is not true. The most fashionable milliner in New York says so. She gets more for hats and bonnets than any one else in town, so that her word on the subject is final.

"It is absurd," she said. "We could easily make hats and bonnets that would be worth that price, but no one would buy them. Do you know how much the most fashionable and wealthy ladies in town want to get their bonnets for? Twenty-five dollars. We get $35 and sometimes $40 for a bonnet, but these prices are mainly for imported ones. There's not much money in an imported bonnet at those figures. Take one that costs 100 francs in Paris; that's $20. Add 50 per cent duty; that's $10, or $30 in all. So that when you take the risk of its not pleasing and your help and rent into consideration, your profit is small. Of course, all our imported goods are from Paris. There's nothing tasteful or pretty made for women in London. They dress the men well there, but women are obliged to look to Paris for styles."

This milliner said that women are very economical. They compare favorably with the men in this respect. They may pay $25 for a bonnet, but they insist on getting the worth of their money. "Give a man $100 and a woman $100," said she, "and see what each will do. The woman will bring home a lot of things. The man will smoke up cigars, drink wine, and get up a dinner for his friends. He will have nothing left but a headache for his money." Whether this comparison be true or not, recent researches into the fashions adopted by the ladies revealed the fact that it takes an enormous amount of money to satisfy a woman of fashion. It has been found that bonnets come as high as $40, sealskin sacques are bought every day for $500 to $600, and coats of Russian sable are worn by ladies whose husbands paid $4,000 for them. The tailor-made cloth walking-suits average $100 in cost and only form one in the series of four dresses needed for a lady's daily changes. Her afternoon home dress is likely to cost $75 or $100, her evening dress, if in the height of fashion, will cost $400 to $500, and she needs a $25 wrapper to wear at her toilet before breakfast and a wrapper worth $35 to $60 to wear at breakfast. The Broadway shopping establishments now keep on hand silk underclothing at $35 a suit, chemises at $60, skirts at $50 to $60, drawers at $35 to $60, stockings at $12 a pair, and corsets at $25.

"If Coal-Oil Johnny were to come to life again and try to throw a fortune away he could not spend one-half so much in dress," said a store-keeper the other day, "as it is deemed necessary for a rich woman to spend if she wants to keep up to the standard set by other wealthy women."—*N. Y. Sun.*

FOR VEGETARIANS.

Some Statements Which Can Not Fail to Make Glad Their Hearts.

A vegetable diet is four or five hundred per cent. cheaper than the same amount of food derived from the flesh of animals.

The animals which for power of endurance and rapidity of motion are valued for our service derive the whole of their strength and nutriment from the vegetable kingdom; such are the horse, the camel, the elephant.

The physical condition of many flesh-eaters shows that the blood itself is loaded with impurities and in a state of decomposition, and that persons whose blood is in this impure state are liable, on very slight exposure, chill, etc., to be attacked with dangerous illness. That this condition is caused by flesh-eating is shown from the fact that it is quickly changed by the adoption of a vegetable diet.

The flesh-eating habits of the so-called civilized world render necessary the setting apart of a whole class of men for the performance of the degrading and brutalizing office of slaughtering animals for food.

Were it not for the large quantities of vegetables consumed by flesh-eaters disease would ensue in every case. Vegetables supply the salts of the blood.

The peasantry of all nations abstain from animal food—wholly or in part—from necessity. Their vigor is greater than that of any other class in every country.

Meat is the most costly of all foods, and among civilized races the struggle for life rages to so fearful an extent that human beings shorten life by the efforts they make to save it.

The average age of man should be a century. The majority of human beings die before they are half as old. The longest lived are those who feed on cereals.

Vegetarian diet, by contributing to the physical health of man, improves likewise his moral condition, besides conducing in no small degree to the healthy development of the intellectual faculties; since it must naturally follow that by rendering the instrument clear and pure the acts of life will be materially elevated, also being identified with that which is clear and pure.—*Laura C. Holloway, in "Buddhist Diet Book."*

—A three-year-old heifer, recently killed and dressed at Lake's ranch, Nevada, weighed 1,530 pounds.

Renews Her Youth.

Mrs. Phebe Chesley, Peterson, Clay co., Iowa, tells the following remarkable story, the truth of which is vouched for by the residents of the town: "I am 73 years old, have been troubled with kidney complaint and lameness for many years, could not dress myself without help. Now I am relieved from all pain and soreness, and am enabled to do all my own housework. I owe my thanks to Electric Bitters for having renewed my youth, and removed completely all disease and pain." Try a bottle, only 50c, at John A. Swearingen's Drug Store. a4

GENT's fine Neckwear, latest styles, at B. Stine's.

BOYS' KNEE PANTS.

We have placed on stock 300 Pairs of BOYS' KNEE PANTS, at a Great Bargain.

The above Pants were made from remnants of fine Cassimeres, worth from $2.00 to $3.50 per yard in the Piece.

Our Prices Range from

$1.00 TO $1.65,

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Come early, as they will soon be gone.

B. STINE,

The Reliable Clothier.

DON'T FAIL TO SEE

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NEW SPRING DRESS GOODS,

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Our Special Offering for this week is 1400 yards of 38 and 40 inch all-wool French Serge, at the remarkably low price of 49 cents per yard, in every desirable shade.

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Decatur, Ill.

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At a Price.

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UNDERTAKER

AND

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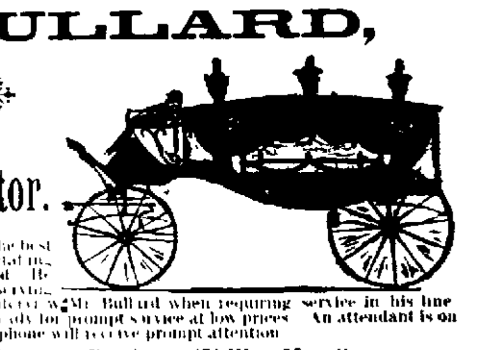

Mr. Bullard will always keep in stock the best of everything pertaining to the Undertaking business, with cheap prices to correspond. He makes a specialty of Embalming and preserving the features of the dead. Do not fail to interview Mr. Bullard when requiring service in his line. The finest hearses and carriages always ready for prompt service at low prices. An attendant is on duty night and day, and all orders by telephone will receive prompt attention.

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Decatur, Illinois.

Farm Lands for Sale!

I offer at private sale the following lands, viz: The north half of section twenty-one, and the east half of the southeast quarter and the south east quarter of the northeast quarter of section sixteen, all in the town of Todd's Point, Shelby county, Illinois.

Eighty acres of the above is good timber land, and the balance good farming land, about 170 acres in cultivation and 210 acres in meadow and pasture.

The land is well watered and can be easily drained by tiling. It is fine rolling prairie, all under fair fence with cross fences, and has a comfortable farm house and buildings and a good orchard on the premises.

This land can be divided into three good farms and if desired will be so divided.

TERMS OF SALE: One third of the purchase money in cash, and the remainder in payments to suit purchaser.

Communications can be addressed to Thomas Fleming, Todd's Point, Shelby county, Illinois, or I can be found at that place by parties desiring to examine the land.

jan20w2mos THOMAS FLEMING

WORKING CLASSES ATTENTION!

We are now prepared to furnish all classes with employment at home, the whole of the time, or for their spare moments. Business new, light and profitable. Persons of either sex easily earn from 50 cents to $5.00 per evening, and a proportional sum by devoting all their time to the business. Boys and girls earn nearly as much as men. That all who see this may send their address, and test the business, we make this offer. To such as are not well satisfied we will send one dollar to pay for the trouble of writing. Full particulars and outfit free. Address GEORGE STINSON & Co., Portland, Maine. feb1-d6mos-w1y1

Dissolution Notice.

The partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned has been dissolved by mutual consent, G. D. Miller retiring from the firm. The indebtedness of the late firm is assumed by W. E. Williams, who will also collect all debts due the firm.

W. E. WILLIAMS
G. D. MILLER

Blue Mound, Ill., Feb. 14, '87.

The grain and stock business will be continued by the undersigned at the old stand, who respectfully solicits a continuance of the public favors.

W. E. WILLIAMS

Feb17-d6w4w

A Card.

A. J. Roe, M. D., office over postoffice, is the only physician in Decatur who devotes his entire attention to chronic diseases. Specialties—diseases of the eye and ear, throat and nose, rheumatism, neuralgia, painful and nervous diseases. Electric treatment at the office 50 cents per treatment. At home special reduced rates given. Cancers, ulcers, tumors and piles cured without the use of the knife or detention from business. A cure guaranteed. Consultation free. Best of city references given. jan26dawtf

G. P. HART for upholstery and shade goods. 13 dt

New Carpets.

New Carpets of the very latest productions in Brussels, Velvets and Ingrains, just received at LINN & SCRUGGS.

ARTISTICALLY cut and made Children's Overcoats, at reasonable figures, in latest styles, at Stine's. daw

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DECATUR, ILL.

TELEGRAPHY Learn here and earn good pay. Situations furnished. Write Valentine Bros., Janesville, Wis.

Redemption Notice.

To George Priest, or Whom it may Concern:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, on the 30th day of June, A. D. 1885, for the taxes for the year, 1884, J. N. Bills and M. P. Murphey purchased the following described lots, to-wit: Lot one (1) and the north half of lot four (4), all in block five (5) of Reed & Co.'s Addition to the city of Decatur, taxed in the name of George Priest, and that the time of redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 30th day of June, A. D. 1887.

HENRY A. WOOD, Assignee.

Feb18-d3w

...ILY REPUBLICAN.

J K HAMSHER J R MOSSER
...SHER & MOSSER, Prop't'rs.
DECATUR, ILLINOIS

...red at the Post Office at Decatur Illinois ...nd class mail matter

...DNESDAY EVE, FEB 23, 1887

...n Wednesday

...NT begins to-day and the weather ...erly typifies the solemn and gloomy ...n

...s now thought that the President ...nominate Assistant Secretary Fair... to succeed Secretary Manning as ...head of the treasury department

...MMY MCNEVIT, a 9 year-old Chicago ...is a sort of second Jesse Pomeroy ...pet diversion is to stab his school... ...es, and he has seriously cut a number ...hem He seems to take a vicious de... ...t in stabbing other boys, and carries ...ves of all kinds secreted on his person

...ON ALFRED H BROWN Republican ...nber of the house from Edwards ...nty, who died of pneumonia on Mon... ...night, was also a member of the last ...se and was so ill during that session ...t he had to be brought into the house ...a cot to cast his vote for General ...gan

...Among the glories of the British Con... ...ution are the many blessings which ...showers upon the rich and titled ...re, for instance the Duke of Port... ...d, whose rent-roll yields him $1000 a ...y He also holds the court office of ...ster of the Horse, which requires him ...do nothing save to draw a salary of ...,500 per annum

GENERAL SIMON CAMERON has arrived ...New York from Bermuda looking well ...d strong despite his 90 years He has ...en spending some time in the Bermu... ...as, and is well pleased with his trip ...e brings information that William R ...ravers, the famous humorist is in a critic... ...al condition but hopes are indulged in ...at he may recover

BARNUM says he will not run for Presi... ...ent on the prohibition ticket next year ...But who can tell whether this is not one ...of Mr Barnum's shrewd advertising ...dodges and whether the announcements ...of the greatest show on earth this sea... ...son will not sandwich the man who de... ...clines to run for President with the ...skeleton of Jumbo and other curiosities? ...Phineas is smart

THERE was a conference of the mem... ...bers of the Tory Cabinet and the Tory ...Parliamentary leaders in London yester... ...day It was a sort of love feast Salis... ...bury assured those present that the To... ...ries [illegible] long lease of power before ... [illegible] that an attempt ... [illegible] ...Beth House of Commons

DES MOINES [illegible] ...or [illegible] ...veto of the [illegible] ...of the Union army [illegible] congress ...has voted to [illegible] ...Congress [illegible] ...Mexican [illegible] ...with a proviso [illegible] in the Rebel ...army or [illegible] ...dosyal during the war [illegible] general ...bill to add to the list of [illegible] pensions ...has become a law in this congress but a ...few hundred acts, each for the benefit of ...a single individual have been spread on ...the statute books In other words, the ...result of pension legislation thus far has ...been to grant pensions to about two per... ...sons who were [illegible] ...of one [illegible] ...the pension roll This is what comes of ...having the Solid South in national con... ...trol again [illegible] ...dent

AN new contemplated proposition to amend ...the national banking law so as to permit ...the banks to issue currency equal to 90 ...per cent of the market value of the bonds ...deposited to secure their circulation in... ...stead of 90 per cent of their face value ...as the law now provides The objection ...having been made that the fluctuations ...of the market would be liable to impair ...the security which is aimed at, the author ...of the proposition suggests that 120 per ...cent be fixed as the maximum This ...would be in effect for the government to ...declare that its bonds should be consid... ...ered worth that much premium in the ...market a species of fiat money legisla... ...tion as objectional as any proposed by ...the wildest cyclone fanatic of that persua... ...sion What the national bank law aims ...at is the perfect security of the bill ...holder So long as the present law re... ...mains in force the bank note circulation is ...reasonably secure as it is not likely that ...anything could depreciate bonds below ...90 per cent of their face value but if the ...banks are permitted to increase their cir... ...culation, say 30 per cent and the extrav... ...agances of a few more congresses like the ...present are permitted to go on there is ...no telling how soon the value of bonds ...may get below the maximum proposed, ...and then where will bill holders find ...their security? Thus too independent ...of the menacing danger of a Democratic ...administration with all that that implies.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Postoffice at Decatur Macon county Ill for week ending February [illegible]

Anderson Mrs Andrew	Mansfield J R
Billington Emma	Milliken John
Boyles James	Miller Mary M
Brickey Mrs Sallie	Merck Joseph
Brinamon Samuel	Mallory [illegible]
Brown [illegible]	McGraw Miss Katie
Brown Thomas [illegible]	McDonald John
Cash Charlie	Nay Mrs Annie
Cummings Chas [illegible]	Nevens Rachel
Cole Mrs Ann	Norris Coleman [illegible]
Carter E W	Purdy Mrs D C
Carter Edward	Patterson Miss Emma
Chapman John A	Phillips Edwin
Clark Miss Mar	Reeser Amos
Davis Arenath	Rockwell Miss Ina
David C [illegible]	[illegible] J M
Donnell [illegible]	Ross Willie
Davis Fred	Scott M
Dayton Lewis	Scott Mrs Harriet B
Dawson Mrs Laralee	Schuchman Kate E
Dannon William	Sanders Mrs Sarah
Gane Bertie	Spicer Charles P
Gordon Miss Tillie	Steele F F
Hughes Mrs Lettie	Stigers John
Hayner A M	Stigers J D
Hall Mrs Clar[illegible]	Smith Miss Mertle
Redding Miss Ella	Stewart Miss Sarah
Jones A D	Taylor Frank
Jenks M W	Tuck Mrs [illegible]
Kirk Mrs [illegible]	Wilson Mrs Dave
Kirk Mattie [illegible]	Watkins Mrs Emma
Lyon Miss Tettie	White Marion
Lake Jim [illegible]	Watwood J
Lagten [illegible]	Wilson Miss Maggie
Miller [illegible] W	Watson Mrs E M
Mossman [illegible]	Whitman W H
Myers Miss Cordelia	White Dr Wm N
Murphy Henry	Wood John
Mattox [illegible]	Zorger Jay
Moore Grant	McKay Miss Nora

FOREIGN

Otto Frust

PACKAGE

Patterson F D

S S JACK, P. M

BY TELEGRAPH.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Further Inquiry Into the Washington County, Tex., Election Frauds.

The Production of Gold for the Year 1886--The President's Last Public Reception.

Mr Cleveland Changes His Mind---The Fortifications Appropriation Bill ---Congressional.

The Washington County Election Outrages

WASHINGTON Feb 23 The Texas ballot-stealing investigation by the Senate committee on privileges and elections took testimony of Judge Lafayette Kirk Judge of Washington County, Tex He has acted in this investigation as counsel for the Democrats and is a principal defendant He attended the indignation meeting at Brenham and introduced the resolution requiring certain Republicans to cease a certain line of conduct or leave the country He presided over the canvass of votes and sent a telegram to D D Bolton father of Dennis Bolton, who was killed to the effect that things looked bad at Brenham He did not remember that he used the words "blo... work" although he was not positive about it When asked if he had any objection to having the telegram laid before the committee Judge Kirk replied that he had not if it was in the possession of any member of the committee Senator Spooner asked him to write an order for the committee to the Western Union Company so the original telegram could be obtained but he refused to comply Witness named Hackworth Moore, Golder, Potter Locket and Schoutz among those warned to cease their action - consisting of prejudicing the blacks against the whites or leave the county He said Potter had declared himself in favor of arming the negroes to shoot white men at the ballot box The others named he said were offensive in their speeches

During the course of further examination witness said the Republicans tried to swear the negroes to support the Republican ticket, and would ostracise any negroes who wanted to support the People's ticket There was a general belief among the white people that the negroes had been advised to go to the polls armed, and that Locket and Golder had given that advice Witness had been notified by letter that he was to be shot at the first opportunity that the threat was no bluff and that others would surely follow his fate A letter addressed to Bob Doane and signed 'Dead' had been sent in care of witness which stated that "We expect to kill Democratic negroes until we get two for every one they have killed

The examination was continued nearly all day, Messrs Spooner and Evarts interrogating the witness very closely

The Production of Gold For 1886

WASHINGTON Feb 23 The report of the Director of the Mint containing statistics of the production of the precious metals in the United States for the calendar year 1886, was transmitted to Congress yesterday From the report it appears that the production of gold during 1886 exceeded that of any previous year since 18.. and almost equaled the ... This production ... against $... in 1885 an increase of over $3,000,000 The exports of gold bullion and coin was $41 81 271 which corresponds almost exactly with the amount imported into the United States so that there has been a slight gain by the movement of gold to and from the United States during the calendar year

The Last Public Reception at the Executive Mansion This Winter

WASHINGTON Feb 23 The President and Mrs Cleveland drove out to Oak View early yesterday morning and spent ... part of the day there They returned to the Executive Mansion about eight o'clock this evening and at nine o'clock were ready to participate in the last public reception to be given at the mansion this winter At that hour the doors were opened and the crowd ... the public ... fully three thousand ... paid their respects The President was assisted by Mrs Cleveland and Mrs Folsom ... Mrs Lamar

The President Changes His Mind

WASHINGTON Feb 23 The Critic says it is now understood that President Cleveland has receded from his determination not to appoint members of the present Congress on the Inter-State Commerce Commission believing that it would not be violating the spirit of the law to appoint members of the present Congress after the 4th of March This opens the field to more candidates Representative Crisp of Georgia is being pushed vigorously for a place on the commission

The Fortifications Appropriation Bill

WASHINGTON Feb 23 The conferees on the Fortifications Appropriation bill met again yesterday and made fair progress One of the conferees after the meeting said that he felt satisfied a bill would be reported not later than to-day which would fully meet the demands of the country and prove eminently satisfactory in its terms

FORTY-NINTH CONGRESS

(Second Session)

SENATE

WASHINGTON Feb 22 The presiding officer presented a communication from the Secretary of War in reply to the resolution offered by Senator Cullom in relation to the reasons for clerks in the War Department working extra hours The reasons assigned are that the work of the Adjutant General and the Surgeon General's offices is behind owing to the great number of calls made upon these offices for information in pension cases

Mr Cullom said that he had not meant to criticise the management of the War Department but to show the necessity of a larger clerical force and moved the reference of the communication to the appropriations committee with a view to such increase He thought the Government was not so poor that it was compelled to work the clerks extra hours The letter was referred

Messages from the President were laid before the Senate disapproving pension bills for Rachel Ann Pierpont and Jacob Smith because pensions had been granted them through the Pension Office Also pension bill for John D Fincher on the ground of absence of disability Referred

The conference report on the House bill to exchange property for the public building at Abington, Va was submitted and placed on the calendar

Mr Cameron from the committee on coast defenses reported a resolution authorizing that committee to take testimony during the recess and Mr Allison from the committee on appropriations reported a resolution fixing the hours of the session from 11 a m to 9 p m Both resolutions were laid over

A number of petitions and memorials were presented and referred, among them several by Mr Riddleberger against the ratification of the extradition treaty with Great Britain.

Reports from committees were made and bills placed on the calendar as follows:

Regulating pay of officers of the army and navy who neglect to provide support for their families

Establishing a National quarantine station near Key West, Fla

Authorizing the sale of the barrack property at Newport Ky, and the purchase of a new site

Authorizing the sale of surplus copies of public documents at cost prices. The bill was passed [It provides that not more than one copy shall be sold to any one person]

After further routine business, the following letter was submitted to the presiding officer:

"*To the Senate of the United States*

SENATORS —My office as president, pro tem, of the Senate will necessarily terminate on the 4th of March next with my present term as Senator It will promote the convenience of the Senate and the public service to elect a Senator as president pro tempore, whose term extends beyond that date so that he may administer the oath of office to Senators elect and aid in the organization I therefore, respectfully resign that position to take effect at one o'clock p m on Saturday next February 26 Permit me in doing so to express my heartfelt thanks for the uniform courtesy and forbearance shown me while in the discharge of my duties as presiding officer by every member of the Senate Very truly yours

[Signed] JOHN SHERMAN"

The communication was ordered to be placed on file

After further business of a routine character, a resolution offered by Mr Platt authorizing the select committee in Indian tradership to take testimony during recess was taken up

Mr Van Wyck offered an amendment giving the same authority to all Senate committees This amendment was rejected and the resolution was then passed

Mr Riddleberger offered a resolution directing the publication of all the papers and documents in the Senate files relating to the rejection of the nomination of James C Matthews, as Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia He wanted the reasons for his vote (against confirmation) to go before his constituents He did not subscribe to either of the reasons assigned by some gentlemen and a portion of the press for the rejection of Matthews His reason was that charges had been preferred against Matthews to the effect that he had gone to colored men employed on public buildings in Albany and had threatened them with discharge unless they voted a certain ticket

Mr Harris said he would cheerfully vote for the resolution but, as to the charge referred to it had been investigated by the Senator from Kansas (Mr Ingalls) and himself, and they had found that there was not the slightest foundation for the charge

Mr Riddleberger said he had been informed by the chairman of the District committee that no evidence in the matter had been taken

Mr Harris said that not only had the evidence been taken and reduced to writing but the manuscript of it had been laid on the Senator's (Mr Riddleberger's) own desk.

Mr Riddleberger persisted in declaring his ignorance of any such testimony having been taken He spoke of Mr Harris change from opposition to support of the nomination as miraculous

Mr Harris admitted that he had originally opposed the nomination, because he believed then (as he believed now) that the position should be given a District of Columbia man He had however, changed his vote, as other Senators had done The rejection originally was by a tie vote subsequently it was by a decided majority

Mr Riddleberger's resolution was adopted

The conference report on the bill as to the public building at Detroit Mich was presented and agreed to

The Senate then took up the bill making appropriations for the expenses of the Government of the District of Columbia and after an explanation of some of its provisions by Mr Plumb who had charge of the bill it was passed

On motion of Mr Call the Senate bill to make Tampa, Fla, a port of entry was taken from the calendar and passed

The bill making appropriations for the military Academy was then taken up read, and passed

Mr Miller moved to take up the bill to create the Department of Agriculture, and Mr McPherson antagonized it with a motion to postpone and take up the House resolution for the investigation of the accounts of the Pacific railroads

The motion was defeated—yeas 22 nays 33—as follows

Yea—Messrs Beck Blackburn Brown Cockrell, Coke, Eustis, Fair, Gorman Gray, Hampton, Harris, Kenna McPherson Maxey Morgan Pugh, Ransom Saulsbury Van Wyck West Voorhees and Whitthorne

Nays—Messrs Aldrich Allison Berry Blair Bowen, Call Cameron, Cheney, Conger Cullom Dolph, Edmunds Evarts Farwell Frye George Harrison Hoar, Jones (Ark) Jones (Nev) McMillan Manderson, Miller, Morrill Platt, Riddleberger, Sabin, Sherman, Spooner Teller Walthall Williams and Wilson (Ia)—33

After this vote had been taken and after a discussion as to the order of business participated in by Messrs Miller, Van Wyck, McPherson and Hoar Mr Edmunds said that the Pacific Railroad resolution as it came from the House was calculated (he would not say designed) to prevent getting forward with the business of the Pacific railroads in a definite and decisive way It was calculated to do precisely what the railroad companies (if they did not want the matter determined decisively) would have wished No matter what old transactions an investigation might bring out nor how bad they were that would be of no possible consequence to the matter in hand It would result in a delay of one two or three years The judiciary committee, however had amended the House propositions so as to keep the investigation within such limits as that it might be accomplished in a reasonable time and also by adding provisions that were of real consequence and importance pending a final disposition of the matter As the resolution was reported back from the judiciary committee he was for it not on account of the investigation part which he thought utterly useless but because of other legislation in it Therefore any body who supposed that he and other Senators on his side who had voted against the motion of the Senator from New Jersey did so with the idea of preventing action on that matter was entirely mistaken

The Senate then proceeded to the consideration of the House bill to enlarge the powers and duties of the Department of Agriculture and to create an executive department to be known as the Department of Agriculture and Labor and was addressed by Mr Miller in explanation and advocacy of it

The bill went over as unfinished business

The House amendments to the Sundry Civil bill were presented and were on motion of Mr Allison disagreed to in bulk and a conference asked Senators Allison Hale and Beck were appointed conferees

At 5 05 p m the Senate went into secret session and at 5 30 p m adjourned

HOUSE

The House met at eleven o clock

Mr Bland called up the vetoed pension bill of John W Farris, and asked the House to pass it over the veto but the House refused to do so —yeas, 128 nays 95—not the necessary two thirds in the affirmative

The House then took up the Senate amendments to the Sundry Civil Appropriations bill in committee of the whole

The House concurred in the recommendations of the committee on appropriations and a conference was ordered on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses

Mr Bragg (Wis) from the committee on military affairs reported the bill which is intended as a substitute for the McAdoo bill to provide for the manufacture of first class modern guns for the navy and sea coast and other defenses and it was referred to the committee of the whole

The committee report unanimously, and say that while they concur in the wisdom of making provision looking to a system of public defense which shall protect our sea board and the great lakes in case of the contingency of war, which the committee do not consider in any degree imminent, they decline to adopt the proposed bill but recommend the substitute therefor, which in the judgment of the committee will fully meet all present exigencies and place the country in a position of readiness adequately to provide against all future exigencies as they may arise.

[The report is largely a description of the bill, which was published in full yesterday, and defines the objects of its provision] In referring to the appropriation of $2,500,000 for steel castings and forgings for gun material for eight, ten and twelve inch breech loading rifle guns, the report says "It may be asked why the amount appropriated is so small and why no provision is made for a still larger gun, and why the appropriation is restricted to steel and excludes cast iron The answer of the committee to these interrogatories may be briefly stated Steel was selected because the committee believe it to be the best material for large guns, as proven by actual test, and it would seem to be a manifest truth to the ordinary mind from common observation. Why are steel rails preferred in the construction of railways, and why is cast iron laid aside and steel substituted? The answer is manifest, by reason of the greater endurance of steel, the strain, shock and wear to which the rail is subjected is better endured by steel The amount taxed is believed to be fully as large as can be profitably expended in material in the time within which the appropriation is limited and the size of the guns designated fully as large as it may reasonably be expected will be produced and manufactured within the time limited The manufacture of steel for guns in this country is in its infancy No eleven or twelve inch gun has been produced, and no manufacturer has a plant ready to handle them It seems a simple thing to order a twelve or fifteen-inch rifle to be made, but we must consider the enormous strain which such a gun must bear in order to be a success, and the real danger, both to the men employed to handle it in action and to the place proposed to be protected by it in case of failure when the gun shall be put into use at a critical moment It is manifest to the committee that real progress in the art of gun making in America means the adoption of the conservative axiom "Make haste slowly"

Second—Gun-manufacture of the kind contemplated by the act is in its infancy in this country, and it must learn to creep before it can walk, and walk before it can run While the producer of material, from his past experience, would hesitate to contract for the material required for a fifteen inch gun, he would very readily assume to supply material for an eight-inch gun, because of the experience we have already had in the construction of six inch guns, and, having become familiarized with the necessary requirements for an eight-inch gun, he will just as readily advance to a ten inch gun, and so on The committee believe, following this line of thought that the time covered by this appropriation (five years) will be required to bring the state of the art up to the requirement of a fifteen inch gun, and upon such belief do not think it wise to make appropriations that can not be profitably or wisely expended within the next five years When that time shall have been reached, or sooner if it shall appear from actual experience that it is the part of wisdom to do it the amounts appropriated may be indefinitely extended No greater amount is required now

The second section of the bill provides for the purchase and creation of a Government plant for the construction and completion of the material purchased, under the first section, into guns The amount appropriated, $[illegible]0,000 the committee, after careful investigation believe to be fully sufficient for the plant with all the machinery and equipments necessary for the construction of the classes specified in the first section, and to construct buildings of sufficient dimensions and capacity to admit the additional machinery necessary for the manufacture of larger guns, to be added when we shall have reached the point that the manufacture of such guns may be successfully entered upon

The third section of the bill provides for rified mortars of the largest size for coast defense, and appropriates $500,000 therefor This is one of the quickest means of coast defense that can be supplied, and we have already one in process of construction which will be proved and tested in a few months. Such a mortar will cost from $7 500 to $10,000, and can be readily and quickly manufactured

Commenting on the fourth section which appropriates $600 000 for the purchase and construction of torpedoes and submarine mines the committee says

There is no harbor defense in the judgment of the committee that can be reached so quickly and so cheaply nor which can be made more complete than that made by the use of torpedoes torpedo boats and submarine mines The sole protection necessary to cover and guard them can be improvised with great ease when we have guns and men who know how to handle them The dynamite torpedo upon a torpedo boat will ere long revolutionize all opinions and plans for harbor defense unless this committee have failed in forecasting the future We are so sanguine in our judgment that we appropriate this sum to give assurance to [illegible] genius now studying the torpedo system and the use of dynamite therein that upon the consummation of their plan they may readily expect recognition from this Government in a substantial form

The other features of the bill are briefly outlined and commented upon

The House then went into committee of the whole on appropriation bills and after a brief contest between the managers of the Post Office, Naval and Legislative appropriation bills proceeded to the Senate amendments to the Post Office bill The only amendment upon which non concurrence was recommended was that appropriating $800 000 for the transportation of foreign mails by American steamships to South and Central America and the Empire of Brazil

Mr Burrows Mich moved a concurrence and spoke at length

At the conclusion of his remarks the committee rose and the House took up for consideration the resolutions expressive of regret at the death of Senator Austin F Pike N H

Messrs Haines and Gallinger (N H) Long Mass Holman Ind Brewer Pa and others ... and the House as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased the House at 5 p m adjourned

National Convention of the Law and Order League

ALBANY N Y Feb 23 The following officers were elected yesterday at the National Convention of the Law and Order League President Hon Chas C Bonney, of Chicago; secretary L E Dudley of Boston treasurer, J H Perry of Southport Conn general agent Andrew Paxton of Chicago executive committee C H Wyman Vermont H B Chase Rhode Island Hon B B Johnson Massachusetts, E B Monroe, Connecticut Wm Barnes, New York Rev Lyman Abbott New York L D Vail Pennsylvania John V Wannamaker Pennsylvania J R Walsh Illinois John Davis, Ohio General A B Nettleton, Minnesota and Bennington Gill New Jersey

Prohibitionists in Convention.

PROVIDENCE, R I, Feb. 22.—The Prohibition State convention organized here yesterday morning at eleven o'clock with J N Todd as chairman The following is the ticket nominated for State officers to be voted for in April next For Governor Thos H Peabody Westerly Lieutenant Governor A M Kimber, Newport, Attorney General, Ediom Metcalf, Providence; Secretary of State, Fred, K A Warner of Bristol, General Treasurer John G Perry of South Kingston

The convention repudiated any responsibility for the actions of the General Assembly and a motion to insert an equal rights resolution in the platform was rejected

A Mysterly Solved

NORWALK O Feb 23 The mystery of Leopold Tyler's disappearance from Monroeville a year ago, is solved Monday his skeleton remains were found by some boys, buried in the sand on the river bank a mile or two west of town.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The German Government Sustained by the Elections of Last Monday.

The New Reichstag to be Convened as Soon as a Quorum of Members Are Chosen.

The Egyptian Question---Appointed Minister---The Trouble Between Zanzibar and Portugal.

Germany

LATE OFFICIAL RETURNS

BERLIN, Feb 22 —MIDNIGHT —Up to this hour official returns from 250 districts have been received In forty two of these no result was reached, and supplementary elections will be necessary In the 208 others there were elected forty three Conservatives, sixteen Imperialists, thirty-seven Clericals, eighty-three National Liberals, four Liberals, six Socialists, fifteen Alsatians and four Poles

STILL LATER

BERLIN, Feb 23, 2 A M —Returns have come in from 285 districts, showing the election of forty four Conservatives, eighteen Imperialists, forty three Centrists, eighty three National Liberals, eight New German Liberals, six Socialists, fifteen Alsatians four Poles and the necessity for forty four supplementary elections

THE VERY LATEST

BERLIN, Feb 23 —The very latest returns from the districts in which candidates have been elected, and the political complexion of those in which supplementary ballots are required, give assurance that the Government will have a large majority in the new Reichstag

IN HOT HASTE

BERLIN, Feb 23 —It is reported that the new Reichstag will be reconvened as soon as the returns show that a quorum has been selected

THE SUPPLEMENTARY ELECTIONS

BERLIN, Feb 22.—The supplementary elections required in places where no result was reached yesterday will take place on March 3 The election of Herr Bennigsen, which was thought to be doubtful, is now assured

England.

THE EGYPTIAN QUESTION

LONDON, Feb 22 —In the House of Commons last night Sir J Ferguson, under foreign secretary stated that the proposal submitted by Sir Henry Drummond Wolff looking toward the neutralization of Egypt did not involve the withdrawal of British troops from Egypt while there remained any fear that the Egyptian Government would be unable to maintain order in that country The British Government, he said had never proposed any movement tending to renounce the right of England to protect Egypt from internal or external disturbance

REFUSED TO EXPLAIN

LONDON, Feb 23 —In the House of Commons last night Sir J Ferguson, Under Secretary of Foreign Affairs, declined to explain the tenor of the official dispatch received from the Canadian Government suggesting a *modus vivendi* in the fisheries dispute He also made the announcement that the number of French posts in the New Hebrides would be reduced

AWAITING THE NEWS FROM GERMANY

LONDON Feb 23 —On the Stock Exchange in Mincing lane and other business centers yesterday the markets closed steady and somewhat firmer than Monday Operators as a rule abstained from engaging in fresh business prefering to await definite and absolutely correct news of the elections in Germany

EXTREMELY CAUTIOUS

LONDON, Feb 23 Business men are extremely cautious having been caught in too many scares recently to enter into new business without seeing their way clear The opinion is generally expressed among merchants traders and financiers that if peace is only temporarily assured by the result of the German election a revival of business is certain

Zanzibar

SEIZED THE SULTAN'S WAR SHIP

LONDON Feb 23 A dispatch from Zanzibar states that the Portuguese men of war have seized the Sultan's war ship "Kilwa" at Tero and towed her into Mozambique

THE DOMINION ELECTIONS

Sir John Macdonald's Government Sustained by a Small Majority

TORONTO Ont Feb 23 Returns from the elections are pouring in Indications are that Sir John Macdonald's government is sustained Liberal gains in Quebec and the maritime provinces appear insufficient to upset Conservative gains on previous majority in Ontario and the Western provinces

Sir John Macdonald has been elected in Kingston city by a majority of twelve, and in Carleton County by a majority of 1 200

Hon Blake leader of the opposition, and most of his principal lieutenants are returned Most of the Ministers are also returned though two of them narrowly escaped defeat Langevin carrying Three Rivers Que by 3 and Carling being returned from London City Ont by 89 votes

Sir Donald Smith the Canadian Pacific candidate 78 ... is an independent in Montreal West

LABOR IN COUNCIL.

Meeting of the National Industrial Convention at Cincinnati

CINCINNATI Feb 23 When the National industrial convention was called to order by General B S Heath of Chicago, at 1 30 p m there were only about three hundred persons in the hall Chairman Heath said that it was not only proper, but customary to open the convention with prayer

A Rev ... Lobje ... came from Illinois Mr Lockwood said

Our father and our God who art over all things forever more Thou art the God of Nations and will establish peace among all men We thank thee for the impulse of the American Government which leads to the seeking for purer government We pray that thou wilt direct this meeting and cause its doings to prosper We ask it in Jesus name Amen

Chairman Heath appointed A R Cos... ner of this city sergeant at arms, and H G Peterson, also of this city, assistant to Secretary S L Douglass

A call of States discovered Connecticut, Florida Louisiana Maine and Minnesota not represented Illinois reported sixty ... delegates

Richard F Trevelick, of Michigan lecturer of the Knights of Labor, was nominated by Chairman Heath for temporary chairman and was elected viva voce unanimously

"HURRAH FOR OLD DICK," cried somebody in the back of the audience, and three loud cheers made Music Hall resound

It was then announced that Rev. Lockwood would deliver the welcoming address

Mr. Lockwood said that he welcomed the visiting delegates to the hospitality of our city, and they would not think it strange that he had been chosen At least it would set at naught the charge that labor organizations are the foes of religion "Was not the carpenter of Nazareth the first preacher of the Kingdom of God? Our welcome of you to this city is with a clear perception of the objects of this National meeting The political labor movement is but a ripple on the current of society, but there is an undertone that shall lead to the very gates of justice and demand a hearing Away with mud-flinging, brutality and blackguardism of subsidized editorials in the press with which they smooth over columns of labor news in their local columns You represent here the discontent of the working classes and their deep unrest at their present condition The most potent factor in American politics is the third house, the lobby, and it is always against the people The politician is, ordinarilly, the creation of the saloon, and virtue and probity are not known in the saloon The riot at Pittsburgh was the rising of labor unorganized and maddened Boards of trade, pools and syndicates are always working against the working men This conference is only elementary—an alphabet, as it were—but the whole world of knowledge is known from the alphabet, and the results of this convention may be as far reaching as knowledge itself Laboring men are getting the courage to despise the buncombe and tirades of the capitalistic press My advice to the newspapers is that of the lunatic to the clergyman 'Read more and talk less' I welcome you here, not to wave the red flag or cry of revolution, but to discuss the questions of vital importance that determine, for good or for evil, the future You seek better government and the voice of the people demand it

It was moved that the convention thank Mr Lockwood for his speech and that it be printed in pamphlet form This was carried by a rising vote, and was garnished by three cheers for Rev Mr Lockwood

Mr Trevellick made a short speech in which he thanked the convention for the honor of his election to the chairmanship. He urged the obedience of law From the Agricultural Wheel to the Knights of Labor he was their friend as they favored law, otherwise he was their enemy

B S Heath moved that the delegates from each State select one member to serve on committees of permanent organization, rules and order of business, resolutions and platform and National committee This was carried

After considerable discussion the committee of thirteen appointed at the Indianapolis convention was continued as the committee on credentials

At 3 20 the convention adjourned to 7 p m

The night session was called to order at half past seven o'clock A letter from General Weaver was read which was referred to the committee on resolutions The committee on permanent organization reported the following officers President A J Streeter, of Illinois first vice president Richard F Trevellick of Michigan, secretary, M D Shaw, of Missouri assistant secretary, W D P Bliss, of Massachusetts

Thirty States were represented in the convention with a vice president from each one There were 630 accredited delegates

The report of the committee on rules and order of business was read and adopted

A memorial from the Union soldiers was also read by the secretary and referred to the committee on resolutions

Mrs Mary Ann Todd of Michigan upon invitation delivered an eloquent address which carried the convention by storm A rising vote of thanks was tendered Mrs Todd, after which the convention adjourned.

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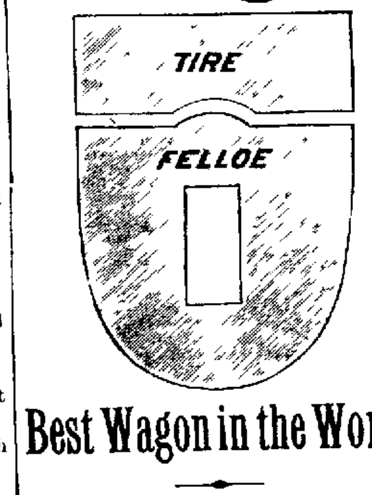

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New Carpets of the very latest productions in Brussels, Velvets and Ingrains, just received at LINN & SCRUGGS

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If your children are late to school, if you miss the trains, and find you must have the correct time, remember we are the only place in the city besides the Western Union Telegraph Office, that ALWAYS HAVE ABSOLUTELY the Correct Standard time for this District.

Telephone us or call and get the CORRECT time.

OTTO E. CURTIS & BRO.

TELEPHONE No. 175.

This is to certify that Otto E. Curtis & Bro. have the only telegraphic communication in this city with the "Washington Observatory." The wires and instruments were put in by and are under the control and supervision of the Western Union Telegraph Co. The time received by them is the LEGAL and authorized time for this (the Central) district. They receive the time every day at ten o'clock.

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The New Shoe Store, 117 North Water street, is now open and solicits a call. We carry a fine and medium line of Ladies' Misses' and Children's Shoes; also Men's, Boys' and Youths' Boots and Shoes, from the best manufacturers in the East. Every article warranted as represented. If you chose to bring back the goods uninjured we will return the money. We have come to stay, and solicit a share of your patronage.

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I. B. MASSEY,

117 North Water St., Decatur, Ill.

Sign of the Big Shoe.

DAILY REPUBLICAN.

WEDNESDAY EVE., FEB. 23, 1887.

TO THE

GARDENERS

—AND—

All Others Interested.

We invite you to call and get a Catalogue and inspect our Complete Line of

SEEDS

DINGES & COOP.

LOCAL NEWS.

MAJOLICA WARE—Special bargains in this line of ware at E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.

$300,00 to loan—George Brown.

THERE will be a pupils' recital at the College of music to-morrow evening.

THE samples of the Carlinville paving brick, sent here for inspection, are not considered superior to Decatur brick.

SEE Knode & Osborn on Water street, Newell Bros.' old stand, when you want reliable family groceries. Prompt attention to all orders.

TELEPHONE to Hanks & Patterson for family groceries, fresh eggs, breakfast bacon and vegetables. Their store is at 143 South Water street.

THE sterling Irish comedian, Charles Verner, will appear Saturday night in "Shamus O'Brien." He is generally praised as one of the best actors on the stage in his line, rivaling Scanlan in songs and dances. Secure your seats at Prescott's, and avoid the rush.

CHOICE Vienna bread, rolls, buns, fruits and Jersey milk every day at J. Lytle & Co.'s handy grocery store.

PREACHING at the Baptist church tonight by the pastor. At the close or the services the ordinance of baptism will be administered.

R. E. PRATT aspires to become an expert on the violin. He is taking lessons from Prof. Ball.

ASK your grocer for Shellabarger's popular White Loaf flour. None better.

THE city of Champaign is a pretty much-sued city. There are six or eight suits against it already, the most of them being for alleged damages sustained by persons falling through or off of sidewalks.

THE Bowser company gave another good performance of the "Dollars and Dimes" play last night before a fair audience.

THE great tragedian, Lawrence Barrett, will appear Wednesday evening, March 2d, in "Francesca de Remini," his latest and greatest play. The hall will be crowded.

NICKEY butter every day at Smith & Son's family grocery store.

THE council at Lincoln has adopted an ordinance on the sidewalk question that is different from the Decatur law. It provides that the city shall furnish the brick for all walks, and the only expense to the property owner will be the expense of constructing the same.

GOOD groceries and bargains every time for cash at Niedermeyer's store on the Mound.

SUPT. BRESIE and Mr. Buckmaster, of the Pacific express office, were to have gone to Peoria to-day to testify against J. C. Connelly, the baggage master who stole $1,000 from the Pacific express car near Peoria on Dec. 19, but a telegram came from Judge Gross telling them to delay the trip until the motion pending for reduction of bail and possible continuance of the trial, was disposed of. The company has Connelly's written confession of guilt, and Mr. B. has in possession $100 in gold, a $100 gold watch and a $75 diamond ring, that the robber gave up when arrested.

FIRST day of Lent. The long fast will terminate on April 10th, 40 days hence.

IN the Wabash yard last night Frank Bowman accidentally sprained his ankle. He will be laid off a week.

PUPILS' recital at the Musical College rooms Thursday evening, February 24th. Pupils and their parents are cordially invited to be present. 23-d2

DON'T forget, Powers & Haworth do all kinds of repairing, and work that can be done only by the Bradbury machine. Half-soling and patching. feb22-d6

FOR the Genuine Sugar Loaf Lehigh Hard Coal, call on Caldwell, the live coal and wood dealer. nov27-dtf

UNSURPASSED in *Beauty* and *Elegance* is the highly attractive display of *New and Novel Spring Dress Goods, Suitings* and *White Goods*, now on sale and daily arriving, at LINN & SCRUGGS.

LATEST novelties in Swiss, Cambric and Nainsook Embroideries and Laces, just received, at Linn & Scruggs. daw

GO TO Spencer, Lehman & Co. for Wood Pumps, Chain Pumps and Iron Force Pumps. feb8-d&wtf

GENTS' MUFFLERS, ranging in price from 50c up to the finest made, at B. Stine's. d&w

SMOKING JACKETS, a fine present for your husband, brother or future husband, on sale at reasonable prices, at B. STINE'S. d&w

Y. M. C. A. this Week.

Wednesday.—Meetings in all of the churches. Thursday. Junior meeting, 7 to 8; Young Men's Gymnasium class at 8. Friday. Medical Talk, Dr. E. W. Moore; Monthly Sociable. Everybody invited. Vocal class. Saturday. Boy's gymnasium hour, 9:30; Boys' meeting, 10:30; Junior gymnasium practice, 3:00; Young Men's Social in Parlors, 7 p. m.

A Captain's Fortunate Discovery.

Captain Coleman, schr. Weymouth, plying between Atlantic City and New York, has been troubled with a cough so that he was unable to sleep, and was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It not only gave him instant relief, but allayed the extreme soreness in his breast. His children were similarly affected and a single dose had the same happy effect. Dr. King' New Discovery is now the standard remedy in the Coleman household and on board the schooner. Free trial bottles of this standard remedy at John A. Swearingen's drug store. s4

FINE Jersey Caps at 10c at B. Stine's.

THE CIRCUIT COURT

Disposition of Cases on the Dockets —Criminal Matters.

Judge Smith will adjourn court this afternoon until April 9th, as the "fighting cases" have been quashed or continued.

Yesterday afternoon the court gave his decision on the motion to quash the indictment against Linn & Scruggs on the lottery charge. He held that there was no allegation that the firm conducted the scheme for money, and that there was a lack of definiteness in the indictment. The indictment was held not to be good.

CHANCERY DOCKET.

Margaret Brown et al vs. Jennie Muns, et al; chancery; report of commissioners approved and decree of sale awarded; $135 allowed complainants' attorneys.

PARTIES FINED.

Robert Kinkaid, selling liquor to minor, keeping open tippling house and selling liquor to an inebriate, fined $70 and costs.

Daniel W. Craig, for taking illegal fees; stood his trial by court. He was fined $75 and costs. Motion entered for a new trial.

Jacob Ruebsamen, selling liquor to minor; fined $20.

P. W. Finn, selling liquor to minor; fined $20.

SENTENCED.

John Kelly, tried and convicted on a charge of burglary and larceny, was sentenced to three years at Joliet, upon the verdict of the jury. The attempt to secure a new trial failed.

RELEASED.

Joseph Hobson, fined $30 and costs, for selling liquor without license and for selling to minor, on motion, was discharged from further custody by the court.

Emanuel Lowe, fined for assault, discharged from custody.

OTHER CASES.

Charles Shadrach, adultery and fornication; continued. Cause against Martha Rice stricken, with leave to amend.

David Kaufman and Dora A. Mock, adultery and fornication; continued. Mrs. Mock's bail reduced to $300.

John Caldwell, assault to kill and murder; continued.

Harvey T. Woodman, embezzlement; nolle entered.

George Devine, malicious mischief; continued.

Charles Harrah, murder; continued by agreement.

Lute Chambers, selling liquor without license; continued.

REV. T. I. COULTAS returned from his visit to St. Paul yesterday evening. He says the newspaper report respecting the purpose of his going was somewhat misleading. Some weeks ago he received an invitation from a church in St. Paul to transfer to the Minnesota Conference, and become their pastor, at the close of his pastorate here next September. That he might better understand the situation they invited him to spend last Sunday with them. He expresses himself as pleased with the outlook but declines giving an answer until later in the ecclesiastical year. Mr. Coultas has no thought of leaving Decatur before next fall, when his pastoral relationship closes by limitation. These transfers are made by the Bishop of the church and the wishes of churches and pastors are not always regarded.

MR. W. R. BRESIE, superintendent of the Pacific express office, was aroused from his peaceful slumbers this morning at 1:30 o'clock by the jingling of the telephone bell. Officer Lilly was the disturber. He informed Mr. B. that burglars had broken into his office in the Brenneman building, but knowing that everything of value was locked up in the safe which was not disturbed, the superintendent returned to bed. This morning Mr. Bresie found that on leaving the office last evening he had forgotten to lock the door. It was an easy matter for a sneak thief to enter and rummage around through the papers. So far as known no article of value was taken. Hereafter Mr. B. will not forget to remember to lock the door.

The Play To-Night.

Florence Bindley and her company have arrived and will give "Heroine in Rags" to-night. The piece is of the breezy sort, startling situations, and has a moral lesson. See the performance to-night.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. H. B. Cole is decidedly better to-day.

Manager Haines returned home from Virginia this morning.

J. A. Ickes and Mrs. Bush, of Champaign are in town.

Mrs. James M. Peters and daughters have returned from Springfield.

Miss Emma Kaufman, of Chicago, is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. C. J. Marcott.

Joseph Levy, of New York, business agent for the Lawrence Barrett company, here March 2d, is in the city.

"Happy" Callender and wife were at the ball last night. They are on their way to Little Rock, Ark.

Alderman Shoemaker departed for Texas last evening to be absent several weeks. He will visit his son Earnest at Gainesville.

Rev. W. L. Bankson, of Mt. Zion, was in the city last night and to-day. He will marry a couple at Zion to-morrow evening.

J. O. Young, son of George S. Young, of Friends Creek township, departs this evening for Lexington, Ky., to attend college.

THE Peoria board of supervisors yesterday made attempts to vote $100,000, $75,000, and $50,000 and the fair grounds for the state fair, but each proposition was defeated by a vote of 15 to 14. Poor old Peoria. Decatur can sympathize with her.

A COPY of the Sedan, Kansas, *Graphic*, handed us by Lon Crocker, of Albert Barnes' abstract office, indicates that Elder J. V. Beekman, well known here, is cutting a wide swath in Kansas, where he is pastor of a Christian church and is thick with G. A. R. comrades. He delivered a Washington address at Bronson on Tuesday and is to dedicate a new church at Moline on March 7th.

DICK KABRICK, of the Hotel Brunswick, and James Glazebrook, of the St. Nicholas, had a lively dispute at the depot last night about the capture of a traveler. They came to blows and failed to "break away." They capsized the street car stove, scattering the fire about. They were separated and each gave security to answer for disorderly conduct.

IT is a good rule to accept only such medicines as are known to be worthy of confidence. It has been the experience of thousands that Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is the best medicine ever used for throat and lung diseases.

OYSTERS and meals at J. M. Huff's, just three doors north of Millikin's bank

Wife of the Robber.

Mrs. H. M. Schwartz, wife of the Rock Island express robber, in jail at Morris with Watts, his accomplice, arrived in Decatur at 4 o'clock, and registered at the New Deming hotel. She got breakfast, and at 10 o'clock took the Central train for Moawequa to visit her relatives. Her maiden name was Washam. Mrs. Schwartz is a prepossessing lady of slight build, and bears a careworn look in her face. Her husband and Watts are charged with the murder of the messenger, Kellogg Nichols, and with having stolen $21,500 from the United States express company.

Sensation.

Prof. Morris, aged 60 years, a music teacher from Warrensburg, who has a class of 40 or 50 members at Oreana, has a cross to bear. He was arrested Monday for making an indecent assault on the 14-year-old daughter of the widow Williams who lives at Oreana. The young girl is one of Morris' pupils. He called at the house to give special instructions, when the alleged episode occurred. Mrs. Williams made complaint to 'Squire Garver, but he would not issue the warrant as he thought there was little in the case. 'Squire McKirahan, near Argenta, issued the warrant. The case was taken to 'Squire Curry in the town of Argenta, where W. H. Harnsbarger appeared for the defendant and W. T. Cussins for the prosecution. The charge of outrage was dismissed, when Morris was arrested again on a charge of assault and battery. The hearing will be had on Friday, Feb. 25.

Not a Candidate.

Chatting with Judge Smith Tuesday the reporter was given to understand that he will not be a candidate for the supreme judgeship to succeed Judge Scott, who will not be in the race in June a year hence. Speaking of this election the Danville *Commercial* says: "Judge Gross will be a candidate. It is a little early to discuss this matter, but it will no doubt receive some attention by the members of the bar. With Judge Smith out of the race we feel that Judge Wilkin is the most available of the candidates mentioned. There are sixteen counties in this supreme judicial district. In this district, where Judge Wilkin has been on the bench for nearly eight years, he has given the most complete satisfaction to the bar and to all with whom he has come in contact. Of those named we regard Judge Wilkin as the most available and the most prominent for the office of supreme judge. He will receive the hearty endorsement of this judicial district."

The Band Ball.

The popularity of Decatur's prize musical organization, Goodman's Band, was fully attested last night by the large attendance and liberal patronage extended to the anniversary ball given at Guards' Armory. There were over 100 couples on the floor, and more than 150 tickets were sold. In full uniform the members of the band playing as they paraded led the grand march. The music for the dance was the best ever heard, all members of the Opera orchestra contributing to the perfection of this important feature of the party. There were 24 numbers on the program. At intermission refreshments were served at the Star and other restaurants. The committees in charge were Rea C. Ringland, W. N. Zimmerman, Frank Williams, C. Kramer, F. H. Hubbard and E. K. Kepley. All of the guests were treated courteously and nothing occurred to mar the pleasure of the occasion.

Members' Benefit.

Y. M. C. A. members can have *two tickets* to the Ella June Meade entertainment for the price of one by calling at the Secretary's desk.

JOHN H. HALL, who suddenly died in the prison hospital at Joliet, was serving a life sentence for the murder of John McMahon and two hired men at Mt. Pulaski, Ill. Confessions of perjury lately made by witnesses against him, taken in connection with his dying statement, lead to the belief that he had no connection with the triple tragedy.

THE funeral services of Mrs. John Osmers, held in the German M. E. church yesterday afternoon, were largely attended and were conducted by Rev. Heidel.

More of the Bethany Tragedy.

It now appears that whisky and family differences were at the bottom of the double tragedy at Bethany. Morris Hatfield, who was a crippled soldier and a pensioner, had beaten his wife, and she had refused to live with him. She got a room at John Taylor's residence and was living apart from her husband. Hatfield had been heard to threaten that there would be bloodshed if his wife refused to live with him. In the absence of the wife, Hatfield went to her room, and on her return he had their little babe in his arms, which he handed to her, at the same time drawing a revolver on her. She started to run, when he shot her in the back between the shoulders. She feigned dying, when he placed the revolver to his right side and fired. He only lived a few hours. The ball was extracted from Mrs. H.'s wound, and she is found not to be seriously hurt. In his pocket, after his death, was found a box of "Rough on Rats," with which it is supposed he intended to poison the whole family.

In Jail.

After nearly a year of patient waiting William Thomas, the negro who assaulted his companion, Ella Brown, by knocking her down, last Easter, was captured last night by the police. Thomas fled after assaulting the young woman and could not be located. He came back some days ago and last night while intoxicated he visited the home of his sister and threw a brick through a window, hitting a child on the head. He is in jail. He was indicted for assault to kill and will have to answer that charge in court.

ON Tuesday March 29 the breeding firm of D. W. Brenneman & Bro., will sell 40 head of Grade Normans, Clydes and roadster horses at their stables on Franklin street; horses from 3 to 7 years old. Terms: a credit of 12 months. Col. J. W. Judy will be the auctioneer. Sale to commence at 1 p. m. feb22-dtd

A WOMAN and two children on their way to Indiana, arrived here last night. They were made the victims of a confidence scoundrel on the train at Springfield, where he got the woman to give him all the money she had. At the same point on a train a few nights ago the same scamp robbed an old man of his money and baggage check.

ALWAYS call for Hatfield & Co.'s celebrated White Foam flour.

HOY GOES FOR GROVER.

Defense of the Soldier and a Slam at the Veto President.

EDS. REPUBLICAN: Being a subscriber and a weekly reader of your esteemed paper, I have decided, with your permission, to contribute a few lines to its colums. The subject upon which I shall attempt to write is Pensions.

It is to be sincerely regretted that there are already seen signs of not only forgetfulness of what the Union soldiers have done for our country, but many of those high in public authority deem it their right as well as their pleasure, to denounce those who were brave and patriotic enough to sacrifice the very cream of their lives to put down the most gigantic rebellion ever recorded in the history of the world. Yes, already the grand achievements wrought out in blood are fading from the memories of those who should cherish them most. If this is not so, why do we hear so many grumblings and mutterings about the poor pittance doled out in pensions to the disabled soldiers, who by their valor and their sufferings, saved that same government from which those pensions are now received. It has truly been said by another who has gone to his eternal camping ground on high, "The men who staid at home or served their country by proxy, grew fat in purse and property, while the brave soldiers were wasting their life and health to protect that very purse and property." These same stay-at-home patriots are now whining piteously over the pension list. "Enormous!" they exclaim. It will impoverish the treasury! Well, what if it does? Who has a better right to do it than the very men who saved the treasury? Where would your boasted treasury with its surplus have been, if the rebel hordes had not been driven howling back from its very doors by these same pensioners?

These same grumblers are perfectly content that their own little "Grover," who with such patriotic sympathy, responded to his country's call by proxy, shall be pensioned at the rate of fifty thousand dollars a year; that judges, governors, congressmen, and a thousand other officials, and some who once tried to destroy this country, are receiving pensions, or salaries as they term them, ranging from five to fifteen thousand dollars per annum. All this is proper and right, but if the poor private soldier, who is tottering upon one leg or toiling with one arm, his eyesight destroyed by disease and exposure in line of duty, or his health all shattered and broken in his country's service, asks for the miserable pittance of eight to twenty dollars per month, the rebel howl of indignation bursts forth from their lips—"Too much! Too much! It must be stopped. It will bankrupt the government." There is not the least danger of such a result. But if such a result should come, it would be, at least, one case of bankruptcy in a glorious cause. Not one dollar too much do these disabled soldiers get. Tens of thousands more ought to receive pensions who are now barred from it by some miserable, quibbling technicality, unworthy a great government. He who is small enough to begrudge the soldier his little compensation, is unworthy the name of man; he is a mockery, an abortion, a wretched burlesque on humanity, a libel on his Creator.

Cleveland shall not forever sway,
The many toil in sorrow,
The powers of Hell are strong to day,
But Christ shall rise to morrow.

We may be beaten back in many a fray,
But newer strength we borrow,
Where the vanguard camped to-day
The rear shall rest to morrow.

More anon, A. M. HOY,
late private, Co. K, 8th Ills. Inf'ty.

February 20, 1887.

The Trip to the Mount.

Decatur Knights Templar to the number of 35, with 15 ladies, made a pleasant journey to Mount Pulaski last night on a special train, and were royally entertained by the members and ladies of Commandery at the ancient city. The members of Beaumanoir Commandery No. 9, were most hospitably received on their arrival, and at the hall a cordial address of welcome was delivered by Eminent Commander Geo. P. Zeiss, to which Commander F. M. Young, of No. 9, responded in fitting terms. After the presentation of a beautiful silk banner to Pulaski Commandery by Miss Louise Hays, on behalf of the ladies of that place, Adam Shaefer was presented with the shoulder straps of a past commander. Then followed the sumptuous banquet served from 9:30 until midnight. The occasion was in every way a delightful one, and all the visitors unite in praising the hospitality of the Pulaski people. After the feast Rev. T. W. Pinkerton responded to the toast "Knights Templar," F. M. Young to "Charity," Dr. Wemple, of Logan county, "Our Country," Judge Nelson to "Our Ladies," and I. R. Mills and others responded to impromptu toasts.

ONE of the most complete surprises that has taken place lately was arranged by Mrs. Wes Weigand last night upon Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Combs at their residence on East Wood street under the pretence of sewing carpet rags. At the proper time Mr. and Mrs. Combs and their company were invited to their restaurant on South Water street to partake of a fine supper. The tables were laden with everything that was good to eat. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Weigand, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Haws, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Stafford, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Martin, Dr. and Mrs. Weyl, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Sherman, Mrs. S. T. Black, Mrs. May Millard, Misses Molhe and Minnie Frank, Sue and Jane Inman, Emma Weigand, Ida Haws, Fannie Curtis, Hattie Black, Grace Stafford, Mollie Hoye, and Messrs. Will Ditzler, John Inman, Robert Weigand and Emanuel Sherrer.

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THE new Smock House with 20 rooms is at 914 East Eldorado street. New beds, new furniture—everything new. Transients, $1.00 a day; week boarders, $4.00; day boarders, $3.50. Henry Smock in harge. 25d1mo

The Chicago Grain Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1 p. m. to-day, received by G. C. Caldwell, Commission Merchant:

WHEAT—73 Feb; 73 Mar; 73⅝ Apr; 78⅞ May.

CORN—33¾ Feb; 33¾ Mar; 34 Apr; 38¾ May.

OATS—23½ Feb; 23½ Mar; 24¾ Apr; 28⅝ May.

PORK—$15.00; Mar; $15.10 Apr; $15.20 May.

LARD—$7.15 March; $7.15 April; $7.22 May.

RIBS—$7.65 March; $7.70 April; $7.77½ May.

Live Stock—Estimated receipts—Hogs 20,000; prospects shade easier.

Cattle, 9,000; market lower.

Car Lots—Wheat: Winter 17, Spring 52; Corn, 253; Oats, 169.

FRESH Oysters at J. M. Huff's restaurant, just north of Millikin's bank.

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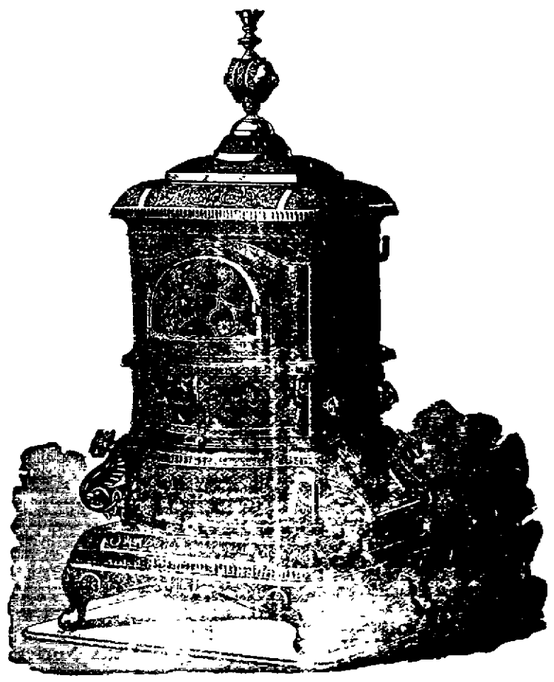

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RETROSPECTION.

Very winsome was the summer, with its blossoms and its flowers,
And dewy dawns are tinted with the wondrous clouds of pearl;
With its zephyrs softly whis'pring and its merry, patt'ring showers,
When, in spite of weary effort, my front hair would never curl.

Very gladsome was the sunshine, as it flooded all with brightness,
And won the timid opening heart of every fragrant rose;
Very warm its loving kisses on my fair cheeks' dainty whiteness—
And, oh, the gath'ring freckles! how they lingered on my nose!

Very tender at the wicket in the evening was our meeting,
When all the world lay glowing 'neath the sunset's fading blush,
Very fond and very loving, oh, my darling, was our greeting—
Mosquitoes all about us, singing softly through the hush.

Very sweet the misty twilight, shrouding all the silent meadows,
As o'er the river sighed the breeze in sad and solemn thrills;
Weird and strange the flickering moonbeams and the ghostly, lengthening shadows—
How our souls did yearn within us for a box of quinine pills!

—*Brooklyn Eagle*

HIDE-AND-SEEK.

An Archæologist's Game With an Old Jaguar.

"Oh, so you want me tell you one of my traveling adventures," says Prof. Stone, as we all gather round him on the saloon deck after dinner. "Well, I don't know that there's much in the life of a hum-drum fellow like me to interest you dashing young gentlemen, who think that a man should be always shooting tigers, or storming batteries or exploring deserts, or swimming ashore from a sinking ship with a notebook in his teeth, like Julius Cæsar in the harbor of Alexandria. However, I've had one experience that had a pretty strong spice of the adventurous—rather more so, indeed, than I quite liked at the time—and it happened when I was hunting up antiquities in South America, twenty years ago. I don't know whether any of you have ever been up the Parana. It's a very nice river in it's way, if it weren't for the jaguars and the snakes, and the mosquitoes and the yellow fever, and the big ants that bite right through a thick stocking, and a few other things of that sort. Perhaps one wouldn't exactly have picked it out as the best place for a summer vacation; but it was just what *I* wanted, for I found more out-of-the-way remains there than in all the rest of the country put together. From morning till night I was hard at work unearthing tombs, and gateways, and antique weapons, and what not, until I was as happy as the day was short—for I can assure you I found it much too short for all I had to do.

"Paraguay's not the safest place in the world for a foreigner, it must be owned. If you happen to wear a red shirt or colored scarf in the towns, somebody will most likely take it for a political badge, and empty his pistol at you forthwith; while, if you go too far into the bush, you get picked up by the Indians, who generally make short work of you, indeed. However, I got off better than I expected; for all this poking and rooting of mine among these old stones that nobody else cared for made them think first that I was mad (which was lucky, for they never touch a madman), and then that I was a magician—which was luckier still, for then they were afraid of me and let me do what I liked. I suspect, however, that my reputation for magic arose chiefly from the tales of my half-caste servant, Pedro Diaz, who, although a right good fellow in his way, was terribly given to romancing, and used to tell such stories as would have put Baron Munchausen himself out of countenance.

"But though the natives didn't molest me, I had my share of troubles for all that. Sometimes I would find a rival antiquary in the field before me, in the shape of a big serpent coiled round the very stone I was going to examine—and, of course, I couldn't be so rude as to press my claim after that. Then, again, more than once, just as I was at my busiest, the earth gave way under my feet, and I found myself chin deep in a hole, with hundreds of big black ants pitching into me in every direction. These ants, indeed, are the pest of Paraguay; and it's a fact, though you mayn't believe it, that you sometimes see the whole village tumble down at once from the undermining of the ground by the ants' nests.

"Well, one morning I got up before sunrise (as you soon learn to do, I promise you, in a climate where one hundred and one degrees in the shade is quite a fair average temperature), and away I started into the forest as usual, to see what I could see. Having my pocket-compass always with me, I wasn't a bit afraid of getting lost; and on I went, keeping a sharp lookout to right and left for any thing in the shape of an 'antique'—till, all at once, I came upon a spot which was not only quite new to me, but unlike any thing I had ever seen before.

"'A buried city' thought I; and down I jumped, without even stopping to think how I was to get up again. Sure enough, I found myself among the ruins of a great building of some kind, vaster and grander than I had seen yet, and bearing every mark of extreme age. Some of the fragments were so overgrown with creepers, that I could hardly distinguish them; but one or two were quite clear, with the traces of rude carving still perfectly plain on them. I was so delighted, that I ran this way and that way just like a child in a toy shop, hardly knowing what to begin upon first; when all at once I caught sight of a low archway on one side of the pit, as dark as night and seemingly going right down into the earth.

"I made up my mind at once that this must lead into the main body of the building (whatever it might turn out to be), and fought my way to it through the bushes and briers, as if it had been the mouth of a gold mine. But, as I soon found out, it was one thing to get to it, and another to get through it. It was so choked with rubbish, and overgrown with creepers, that it cost me a good half hour's hacking with my big knife before I could make a hole large enough to pass through; and even then it was a tight squeeze, damaging my clothes, and my skin, too, much more than was at all pleasant, I assure you. The place was so dark after the blazing sunshine (having no light except through the archway and a narrow cleft in the roof), that at first I could see nothing at all: but presently I began to make out a row of huge upright blocks, like enormous pillars, heaps of broken stones and rubbish all around them. Altogether, it seemed just the place that a big snake might pick out to settle in, and I was thinking of retreating, and getting men and torches before completing my explorations, when suddenly I stumbled over a pile of loose stones, and down they came with a crash like thunder.

"The echo was something tremendous, but after it came another sound that I liked still less—a deep, hoarse growl, which I knew at once for that of a jaguar. Out of the darkness, at the further end of the hall, rose two greenish-yellow spots, and I heard his tail switch in a way that I knew to mean mischief. There was no hope of squeezing back through the hole before he could reach me. My only chance was to lead him a dance among the ruins and try to spin out the chase till Pedro Diaz came up with his gun, as he was sure to do sooner or later, for whenever I started anywhere by myself he would follow my trail till he found me. It was some little comfort, too, to notice that the jaguar (whom I could see plainly enough, by this time) moved stiffly and heavily, as if he were either very old or sick in some way—which was always one chance in my favor.

"And now began such a game of hide-and-seek as I never played before nor since. In and out of the ruins we went, dodging about among crumbling stones, and matted creepers, and huge bowlders covered with damp moss. I dare say you wouldn't think, to look at me now, that I could ever have been very good at that sport, but when a man is running for his life he can be nimble enough, I promise you. The chase had lasted some time, and I was beginning to feel cold all over at the thought of what must come when all at once the light that fell through the cleft overhead showed me a long wiry creeper, hanging like a rope down one of the biggest blocks.

"Once up there I should be safe; and I ran toward it as I had never run before. Just then, by good luck, the jaguar happened to stumble, and before he could recover himself I was safe on the top of the pillar, panting like a hunted deer. The jaguar made two or three leaps at me; but finding it no use, he sat down to wait for something to turn up, or rather to fall down.

"So there I was, seated in the heart of an old-world museum, with a pillar for my professorial chair, and a jaguar for my class, but I didn't feel very much like lecturing, I assure you. Suddenly I happened to notice that the pillar on which I was perched seemed to have been connected with its next neighbor by a sort of arch, but of this nothing was left now except one huge stone, poised on the very edge of the pillar, and so loose that I could move it easily with one hand.

"This gave me an idea (I dare say you can guess what it was), and I at once proceeded to carry it out. The first thing to be done was to get the jaguar a bit nearer, for he was lying about ten paces from the foot of the pillar, with his head between his fore-paws, seemingly intending to stay there till he got me, if he waited for a year. So I gathered a handful of small stones, and began to pelt him vigorously. One of them hit him in the face, and up he sprang in a rage, growling viciously, and leaping up against the side of the pillar as high as he could go. This was just what I wanted, and I leaned out over the edge and shook the creeper as if I were coming down.

"The beast flew around to that side to be ready for me; and directly I got him fairly underneath the big stone I gave one good heave and tipped it over, right down on top of him.

"Just then I heard a shout from the doorway, and, looking up, saw Pedro Diaz's dark face peeping in. He had followed my trail, as I expected he would, and had come up just in time to be in at the death. But nothing would convince him that I hadn't gone there with the set purpose of luring the jaguar by my magic power, and of making the stone fall down on him, and if I had not left the country soon after, some Paraguayan committee would probably have seized upon me, and set me to demolishing the other wild beasts of the district in the same way."—*David Ker, in Golden Days.*

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DAKOTA IN WINTER.

THE HOUSES KEPT TOO WARM DURING THE COOL SEASON.

John H. Beadle Tells a Number of the Characteristics of the Country and Its Inhabitants—How Land is Taken Up. The New Claim Method.

[Special Correspondence.]

HURON, D. T., Feb 15.—I have one fault to find with the living here—they keep their houses too warm. In the far south my standing complaint was that the houses were too cold. In south Georgia and Florida I never could keep warm indoors in cold weather unless I went to bed, but I could go out and walk myself warm any ordinary winter day. Here a well built house has double windows, and the stove takes up as much room as a piano elsewhere, and in it the blaze dieth not and the fire is not quenched day or night—especially if it is a hay burner. The consequence is, one has to be careful of his wraps in going out doors, and I only wonder that coughs and colds are so rare. If one should go from Cuba to Canada in December, as fast as a lightning train could take him, the doctors would call him a lunatic, yet we do worse than that many times a day. By steam coils and base burners we create an artificial climate over the whole house, then we go at one step from Cuba to Canada, from 70 degs above to 10 degs below outdoors. Good clothing protects the body, but what of the delicate lining of the nose and lungs? All I can say is that I have not had the sign of a cold since I entered the territory, and there is less catarrh than in any eastern section I have visited. I used to think it was the thing to send invalids south in winter; I am now satisfied that the average results are not for the better, and perhaps, in the cruel kindness of nature, it is necessary to kill off the weak and strengthen the strong. By and by, perhaps, civilization will reach a point where all weaklings will voluntarily give up and die for the benefit of the race; but I have personal reasons for being glad that it will not be so in my time.

Despite the cold, immigrants are pouring into this country as if it were a section of Eden. The record of the Huron land office is amazing. In the four years since it was established there have been located and filed on 13,151 pre-emptions, 11,014 homesteads and 8,378 tree claims, a total of 33,443 quarter sections and nearly as many families, besides the rapidly growing towns. For three months the Chicago and Northwestern road brought six coaches full of immigrants daily, besides a much larger number who came on freight trains with their household stuff. It is claimed that in one season that road brought here 80,000 immigrants and prospectors. For one year two land offices of Dakota did more business than all those in the other territories and all the far west states except Kansas and Nebraska. It was the great invasion of central Dakota—a "rush" not equaled probably in the most exciting days of California or Pike's Peak. For a while vast tracts were taken as fast as they could be surveyed; and then whole townships were occupied by squatters in advance of the survey, they deciding disputed claims by lot and agreeing to stand by each other for legal location. One township fifty miles away was taken in a body by 144 squatters, one for each quarter section, and when the survey was completed they marched in as a battalion and filed. It is scarcely necessary to add that no later comers interfered with them.

Beadle county, of which Huron is the capital, is seven townships long and five wide, thus containing 1,260 square miles, so the land settled in this one district in four years is equivalent to seven counties like this, or about eighteen of the average in Indiana. From here to the Missouri river all the good land at all convenient to the railroad is taken, but northwest there is much fine land yet vacant, especially in Faulk county. A branch railroad from Redfield, on the Chicago and Northwestern road, is going through that county early in the spring. Of course, every intending immigrant knows all about the pre-emption and homestead laws, but the true claim method is not so well known. To get 160 acres by pre-emption costs $202 in payment and fees, to get a homestead, is $18 in fees, to get a true claim the same as a homestead, with longer time and more work, but a man has a small fortune when he gets it. You must first file as for a homestead and break five acres of sod the first year. The second year cultivate that five acres and break another, the third year, plant the first five in timber, cultivate the second five and break a third, and the fourth year plant the second five, then you have filled the requirements of the law. You can plant either by seeds or cuttings, and must plow among the young trees enough to keep weeds and grass down till the trees get large enough to shade the ground. You can make final proof and get Uncle Sam's warranty deed at the end of eight years, or any time before the end of fourteen years, and until you do, your land is exempt from all taxes. This item alone will more than repay the cost of planting, and ten acres of timber is as little as a man should plant anyhow, even if he takes homestead or pre emption.

My first impression was that this country was monotonously level but that is all in the eye. As a matter of fact, the James river runs in a trough from near Minne Wakan to Vermillion on the Missouri and though the sides of the trough rise very gradually, they rise high. For instance this city is only 1,290 feet above tide, or 685 feet above Chicago, but westward the country rises 600 feet in sixty miles, and eastward but little less. The summit of the divide east of here is 500 feet higher than this, while the water level of the Missouri, at Pierre is 190 feet higher than the town plot of Huron. Of course the Missouri has to get down hill very rapidly to make the descent from there to Vermilion, where the James joins it yet the James has a fall of but one foot in five miles of its course. It might be made a canal through its whole length if it were not so discouragingly crooked. Its crooks are all within a narrow range, however, confined to the immediate valley and between that and the first level of the "trough" there is a considerable bluff. The summits of the dividing ridges, both east and west of here, are called coteaus, which may be freely translated backbones.

The geology is peculiar, and the paleontology would set Cuvier wild. They have found so many curious things that one need not be at all surprised if they find a petrified elephant! But I have observed that amateur geologists, as a rule, are given to finding things. The big pile of petrifications they exhibit here is certainly curious, but I will wait till I get farther north before deciding whether this region was raised above the cretaceous ocean 17,000,000 or only 1,700,000 years before Adam. Painful experience has made me a trifle cautious in accepting the deductions of geology; and, if I am to believe, on the testimony of fossils, that there was a time when the Creator let creation run itself, and the universe was in a sort of cosmic delirium tremens, I want at least to be sure of the fossils. Nobody can blame me for not changing my verdict till I have tested the witnesses.

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FOR the third time, it is said, a New-Yorker has proposed and been rejected at one of the London clubs.

IT is an awful hard thing to do but Henry Watterson, when run in a corner, admitted that he would support Cleveland if re-nominated. This is the way he swallowed the dose: "We shall support the re-election of Mr. Cleveland. But we mean to know in advance whether we are supporting a democrat or a mugwump. It would be in the long run best of all if the Democracy, uncertified and undefiled, should grind their faith about them, burn their bridges behind them and march out as they of old, to achieve or perish. We live not in the heroic days. Brave men, good men, they can only do as they can; and politics at most seems a choice between the least of evils. This choice shall not, as far as we are concerned, be made blindly and in the dark."

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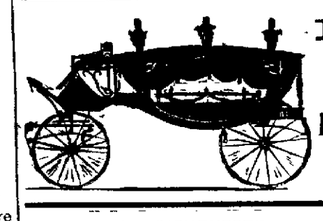

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PERSIAN DISHONESTY.

A Country in Which One Would Look in Vain for An Honest Man.

Dishonesty is another besetting sin of them. If Pope had lived in Persia he could never had hit off his terse saying: "An honest man's the noblest work of God!" For he wouldn't have seen one. The only difference made in Persia is between permissible and forbidden dishonesty. They technically call the all-pervading species of scoundrelism peculiar to the country (and of course "permissible") "khordan," i. e., to eat. Every body in Persia "eats" in this peculiar sense, from the Grand Vizier down to the lowest menial. The wages of the soldiery are "eaten" (wrongfully appropriated as it would euphoniously be termed in this country) by their officers, beginning with the Minister of War, the third son of the Shah, down to the Captains and Lieutenants. The wages of the servants are swallowed up, three-fourths by the stewards and head servants, before the money gets into the servants' own hands. The taxes of a province are partaken of by the collectors, moonshees (secretaries) and mirzas (scribes) before reaching their ultimate destination. The money paid out by the Shah to repair one of his cardboard palaces is "eaten" up on the way and never gets there at all. Once his Majesty put aside a certain specified sum, intended for the rebuilding of a pavilion, for six successive seasons, but nothing was done. It was only the seventh time, when he threatened to make the responsible party a head shorter if the money were stolen again, that the building was fitted up, and it is said that even then two-thirds of the money went into intermediate pockets. The salaries of the Government officials go the same way. Another species of robbery, legalized by centuries of custom, is termed "mudakhil." It is a thievish commission exacted by the paid employe, servant or official on every thing purchased for the employer. As long as the mudakhil remains within reasonable bounds, varying from ten to forty per cent., it is considered the proper thing. A man not transgressing these limits may proudly call himself an honest man in Persia. If he goes beyond that he loses caste, though probably nothing else.—*Wolf von Schierbrand, in N. Y. Graphic.*

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Pay Your Taxes.

The taxes for 1886 are now due, and as the time for collection is short, it is necessary that tax-payers should come forward without delay. Office with Mills Bros., over Linn & Scruggs' store. Office hours, from 8 a. m. to 8:30 p. m.

feb1-d2m H. MAHANNAH, Collector.

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Redemption Notice.

To B. A. Marshalls or Whom it may Concern:

You are hereby notified that a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes made in pursuance of law, in the counties of Macon and State of Illinois on the 8th day of June A. D. 1885, for the taxes for the year 1884, I purchased the following described lot, to wit: For thirteen, block nine, in Smith & Co's Addition to Decatur, taxed in the name of Lewis Hall's Estate, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 8th day of June, A. D. 1887.

M. P. MURPHEY

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Redemption Notice.

To James Munca or Whom it May Concern:

You are hereby notified that a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes made in pursuance of law, in the counties of Macon and State of Illinois on the 8th day of June A. D. 1885, for the taxes for the year 1884, I purchased the following described land, to wit: For the north part of the north-west quarter of the north-west quarter—all in section 30, township 17, range 4 east of the 3rd P. M., taxed in the name of James Munca, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 28th day of June, A. D. 1887.

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